

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A centrifugally activated device for controlling movement of an elevator cab, comprising:

a sheave that rotates as the cab moves ~~in an upward direction~~;

a stop surface supported near the sheave;

a latch member supported on the sheave such that at least a portion of the latch member is able to move relative to the sheave from a first position where the sheave is free to rotate to a second, stopping position where at least a portion of the latch member engages the stop surface to stop movement of the sheave;

a stationary support member fixed on the sheave that supports the latch member in the second position; and

a biasing member that biases the latch member into the first position, the biasing member providing a bias that is overcome when the sheave rotates at an undesirably high speed.

2. (Original) The device of claim 1, including a wedge portion supported near one end of the lever, the wedge portion engaging the stop surface.

3. (Original) The device of claim 1, wherein the support member prevents the latch member from moving beyond the second position.

4. (Currently Amended) The device of claim 3, wherein the support member and the stop surface nestingly engage opposite sides of the latch member when the latch member is in the second, stopping position.

5-20. (Cancelled)

21. (New) The device of claim 1, wherein the biasing member comprises a spring.

22. (New) The device of claim 1, wherein the biasing member comprises a magnet.

23. (New) The device of claim 1, wherein the latch member moves toward the second, stopping position when the sheave rotates at an undesirably high speed as the cab moves in an upward direction.

24. (New) The device of claim 1, including a second stopping member supported on an opposite side of the sheave from the latch member, the second stopping member preventing the sheave from rotating when the sheave rotates at an undesirably high speed in an opposite direction from that associated with the cab moving in a downward direction.

25. (New) The device of claim 24, including a control member that prevents the second stopping member from being activated when the latch member is in the second, stopping position.